



If you are a Medicare beneficiary, you may be eligible for a program that could save you over \$1,150 a year. Medicare Savings Programs help eligible people by paying Medicare premiums, deductibles and other Medicare-related costs. You can have either standard Medicare or a Medicare managed care plan. Applying is easy.

Call today for information and assistance – you could be putting money back in your pocket!

What types of expenses are covered?

Medicare Savings Programs may cover the following:

- Part A premiums
- Part B premiums
- Medicare co-payments
- Medicare deductibles

How do I find out if I qualify?

Thousands of people in Washington State qualify for a Medicare Savings Program. To find out if you might qualify, look at the income chart in this brochure. For more information in your community, see the back of this brochure for the name and phone number of someone who can help you.



For more information in your community:



If you don't speak English, tell the person who answers the phone what language you speak. An interpreter will help you.

Medicare Savings Programs **save** money on medicare



Washington State
Health Care Authority

Over \$1,150 per year
Put money back in your Social Security Check!

About The Medicare Savings Programs

There are four programs in Washington State:

Program 1

Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) Program

- Pays Part A and Part B premiums
- Pays deductibles, co-payments, and co-insurance except for prescriptions

Program 2

Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB)

- Pays Part B premium

Program 3

Qualified Individual Program (QI-1)

- Pays Part B premium

Program 4

Qualified Disabled Working Individual (QDWI)

- Pays Part A premium

Find Out If You Qualify

(Use This Personal Worksheet)

Follow the easy steps below and compare totals to the chart to find out if you may qualify for a Medicare Savings Program.

1. Write down your **gross** monthly household income \$ _____
 2. Deduct \$20.00 disregard (one per household) – \$ _____
 3. **Total Income** = \$ _____
 4. Write down an estimate of your **total assets**:
 - Cash \$ _____
 - Stocks \$ _____
 - Bank accounts \$ _____
 - Real estate (NOT the home you live in) \$ _____
 - Certificates of deposit \$ _____
 - Recreational vehicles \$ _____
 - Savings bonds \$ _____
- Total Assets** \$ _____

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	Type of Medicare Program	Monthly Income (Individual)	Monthly Income (Couple)
Program 1	QMB	Up to \$931	Up to \$1,251
Program 2	SLMB	Up to \$1,117	Up to \$1,513
Program 3	QI-1	Up to \$1,257	Up to \$1,703
*Program 4	QDWI	Up to \$1,862	Up to \$2,522

Assets allowed for an individual.....\$6,940

Assets allowed for a couple.....\$10,410

** Assets for QDWI allowed for an individual\$4,000*

** Assets for QDWI allowed for a couple.....\$6,000*

5. If your monthly income is at or below any of the levels on the chart **and** your assets total less than the asset limits you probably qualify for one of the Medicare Savings Programs!

Will These Benefits Affect My Estate?

No, there is no estate recovery for Medicare Savings Programs.

How Do I Apply?

It's easy! Contact your local Community Services Office (CSO).

- You can find your nearest CSO in the State Government (blue) pages in your telephone book. **OR**
- You can also call the Medical Assistance HelpLine at 1-800-562-3022. **OR**
- On the Internet, go to this website: www.washingtonconnection.org.